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4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2015 NSPS Surface Emissions Monitoring (SEM) **Subject:** 

Gary Landfill - Gary, IN

#### Dear Brenda:

On December 15-16, 2015, Environmental Information Logistics LLC. (EIL) performed surface emissions monitoring at Gary Landfill. This event satisfies monitoring requirements for fourth quarter 2015 set forth by the USEPA New Source Performance Standards (NSPS), 40 CFR 60.775 (c) and (d) and 40 CFR 60, Appendix A, Method 21.

A Thermo Scientific TVA 100B vapor Analyzer PID/FID was used to perform the emissions monitoring. Only the instrument's FID mode was used. The FID was calibrated at the beginning of monitoring on each day in conformance with Method 21 requirements. Calibration logs are included in Attachment A.

#### **Weather Conditions**

The SEM event was performed during typical December weather conditions. Weather conditions for the 15th and 16th were as follows.

December 15th

**Overcast Skies** Dry to wet ground Wind 0-5 mph out of the NE Temperature at approximately 40 degrees Fahrenheit

#### December 16th

Overcast Skies, scattered light drizzle in morning Moist to wet ground Wind 5-10 mph out of the SW Temperature at approximately 37 degrees Fahrenheit

#### **Monitoring Summary**

An EIL field technician monitored the facility according to a route map which covers the entirety of the waste collection area in a serpentine pattern spaced 30 meters apart. The FID was held 8-10 centimeters off the ground in accordance with the Surface Emissions Monitoring plan. The route map was done in reverse to allow for observation of areas with dense vegetation from a high vantage point. Monitoring was not possible in some of these areas due to the excessive tall and dense vegetation. Areas where observations indicated the possibility for elevated emissions (where accessible) including but not limited to areas of distressed vegetation, gullies and exposed GCL were also monitored. A route map is included in Attachment B. A map of non-accessible areas is included in Attachment C.

Four exceedances at concentrations greater than 500 PPM above background were noted during the SEM. A table of exceedances and a map of exceedance locations are included in Attachment D.

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If you have any questions, please call Andy or Ben at (630) 254-9382.

Sincerely,

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#### Attachments:

A- Field Calibration Logs

B- Route Map

C- Non-Accessible Areas

D- Exceedance Summary

D-1: Summary Table

D-2: Location map

D-3: Exceedance form A-3

E- Cover Integrity Inspection

### Attachment A - Field Calibration Logs

### <u>Table A - 1</u> <u>Sample Monitoring Instrument Performance Evaluation Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

40 CFR 60.755(d)(3) requires performance evaluation of response factor, response time and calibration precision according to 40 CFR 60 Appendix A, Method 21. The requirements are presented below along with locations to record the evaluations.

#### Response Factor:

Response factor is the ratio of the known concentration of a VOC compound to the observed meter reading when measured using an instrument calibrated with the reference compound specified in the applicable regulation. Since the monitoring instrument is being used to detect methane and the calibration reference compound is methane, the response factor by definition is one. No further evaluation is required.

#### Response Time:

Response time is the time interval from a step change in VOC concentration at the input of the sampling system to the time at which 9 percent of the corresponding final value is reached as displayed on the instrument readout meter.

Performance Requirement: Method 21 requires the instrument response time to be equal to or less than 30 seconds.

Evaluation Frequency: Prior to placing instrument into service (for the first time or after it was out of service for maintenance or repair). If modification to the sample pumping system or flow configuration is made that would change the response time, a new test is required prior to further use.

Evaluation Procedure: Calibrate instrument with the methane calibration gas. Introduce zero gas into the instrument sample probe. When the meter reading has stabilized, switch quickly to the specified calibration gas. Measure the time from switching to when 90 percent of the final stable reading is attained. Perform this test sequence three time and record the results. Calculate the average response time. Use the form below or a similar format to document this procedure.

Date:		12-15-15
Operator Name:		BEN WADE
Facility:		GARY LF
Instrument ID:		TV A - 1000 B
Calibration Gas	Conc.:	500 PPM
90% of Calib. G	as Conc.:	450 PPM
m : 131	TT: 1.0	
<u>Trial No.</u>	Time to reach 9	0% gas value
1	2.2	seconds
2	2.9	seconds
3	24	seconds
Average	2-5	seconds

## <u>Table A - 1</u> <u>Sample Monitoring Instrument Performance Evaluation Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

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#### **Calibration Precision:**

Date:

Operator Name:

Calibration precision is the degree of agreement between measurements of the same known value, expressed as the relative percentage of the average difference between the meter readings and the known concentration to the known concentration.

Performance Requirement: The calibration precision must be equal to or less than 10 percent of the calibration gas value.

Evaluation Frequency: Must be completed prior to placing instrument into service, and at subsequent 3-month intervals or at the next use whichever is later.

Evaluation Procedure: Calibrate instrument with the methane calibration gas. Make a total of three measurements by alternately using zero gas and the specified calibration gas. Record the meter readings. Calculate the average algebraic difference between the meter readings and the known value. Divide this average difference by the known calibration value and multiply by 100 to express the resulting calibration precision as a percentage.

Facility:	***************************************	GARY LF		
Instrument ID:	des	TVA-1000 B		
Calibration Gas	Conc.:	500° ppm		
Trial No	Matar Danding	After Zero Gas	Difference Between	
Trial No.	4 96	After Zero Gas	Calibration Gas and Meter Reading	
1		ppm	— 9 ppm	
2	615	ppm	S ppm	
3	490	ppm		
	Averag	ge Difference:	9.7 <sub>ppm</sub>	
Calibrat	tion Precision	= Average Diff	erence/Calibration Gas Conc. X 100%	Э
		=	/ <u>500</u> X 100%	o
		= 1.94 %		

## <u>Table A - 2</u> <u>Sample Instrument Calibration and Monitoring Procedures Form</u> Surface Monitoring Design Plan

The calibration procedures in 40 CFR 60 Appendix A, Method 21 must be conducted immediately before commencing a surface monitoring survey. [40 CFR 60.755(d)(4)] Calibration, background readings and monitoring details can be recorded using this form.

#### **Calibration Procedure:**

The calibration gas should be methane in air at a nominal concentration of 500 ppm. [See Method 21 for further calibration gas requirements.]

Assemble and start up the analyzer according to the manufacturer's instructions. After the appropriate warm-up period and zero internal calibration procedure, introduce the calibration gas into the instrument sample probe. Adjust the instrument meter readout to correspond to the calibration gas value. Record the calibration information in the table below.

#### **Background Concentration:**

Determine the background concentration by moving the probe inlet upwind outside the boundary of the landfill at a distance of at least 30 meters from the perimeter wells. Record the background concentration and location in the table below.

General Information:
Date: $12 - 15 - 15$
Operator Name: BEW WADE
Facility: <u>GARY LF</u>
Instrument ID:
Wind Direction: N(NE) E SE S SW W NW (circle one)
Approximate Wind Speed O-S mph
General Weather: 40 °F,
clear, partly cloudy, overcast, (circle one or write in)
po precip., drizzle, rain, snow, (circle one or write in)
Calibration Information:
Calibration Gas Conc.: 500 ppm
Conduct internal zero calibration? (Yes No (circle one)
Instrument reading after calibration: 500 ppm (should be same as above)
Time of Calibration: 10:20 (am) pm (fill in and pick one)
Background Concentration Information:
Background concentration upwind of site:
Background concentrations downwind of site:ppm
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Location of background readings: Outside NE gate, outside sw corner of
Site

### <u>Table A - 1</u> <u>Sample Monitoring Instrument Performance Evaluation Form</u> Surface Monitoring Design Plan

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#### **Response Factor:**

Response factor is the ratio of the known concentration of a VOC compound to the observed meter reading when measured using an instrument calibrated with the reference compound specified in the applicable regulation. Since the monitoring instrument is being used to detect methane and the calibration reference compound is methane, the response factor by definition is one. No further evaluation is required.

#### Response Time:

Response time is the time interval from a step change in VOC concentration at the input of the sampling system to the time at which 9 percent of the corresponding final value is reached as displayed on the instrument readout meter.

Performance Requirement: Method 21 requires the instrument response time to be equal to or less than 30 seconds.

Evaluation Frequency: Prior to placing instrument into service (for the first time or after it was out of service for maintenance or repair). If modification to the sample pumping system or flow configuration is made that would change the response time, a new test is required prior to further use.

Evaluation Procedure: Calibrate instrument with the methane calibration gas. Introduce zero gas into the instrument sample probe. When the meter reading has stabilized, switch quickly to the specified calibration gas. Measure the time from switching to when 90 percent of the final stable reading is attained. Perform this test sequence three time and record the results. Calculate the average response time. Use the form below or a similar format to document this procedure.

Date:		12-16-15
Operator Name:		B. WADE
Facility:		GARYCE
Instrument ID:		TVA -1000 B
Calibration Gas	Conc.:	500 pp n
90% of Calib. G	as Conc.:	450 200
		( )
<u>Trial No.</u>	Time to reach 90	0% gas value
1	1.9	seconds
2	2.3	seconds
3	2.5	seconds
Average	2-2	seconds

## <u>Table A - 1</u> <u>Sample Monitoring Instrument Performance Evaluation Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

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#### Calibration Precision:

Date:

Operator Name: Facility:

Calibration precision is the degree of agreement between measurements of the same known value, expressed as the relative percentage of the average difference between the meter readings and the known concentration to the known concentration.

Performance Requirement: The calibration precision must be equal to or less than 10 percent of the calibration gas value.

Evaluation Frequency: Must be completed prior to placing instrument into service, and at subsequent 3-month intervals or at the next use whichever is later.

Evaluation Procedure: Calibrate instrument with the methane calibration gas. Make a total of three measurements by alternately using zero gas and the specified calibration gas. Record the meter readings. Calculate the average algebraic difference between the meter readings and the known value. Divide this average difference by the known calibration value and multiply by 100 to express the resulting calibration precision as a percentage.

Instrument ID:	Ť	NA-1000 B			
Calibration Gas	Conc.:	VA-1000 B 500 ppm			
			Difference Be	etween	
<u>Trial No.</u>	Meter Reading	After Zero Gas	Calibration G	as and Meter	r Reading
1	499	ppm	(	ppm	
2	490	ppm	10	ppm	
3	493	ppm	7	ppm	
	Averag	ge Difference:	6	ppm	
Calibration Precision = Average Difference/Calibration Gas Conc. X 100%					
		= 6	/	500	X 100%
		= 1.2 %			

### <u>Table A - 2</u> <u>Sample Instrument Calibration and Monitoring Procedures Form</u> Surface Monitoring Design Plan

The calibration procedures in 40 CFR 60 Appendix A, Method 21 must be conducted immediately before commencing a surface monitoring survey. [40 CFR 60.755(d)(4)] Calibration, background readings and monitoring details can be recorded using this form.

#### **Calibration Procedure:**

The calibration gas should be methane in air at a nominal concentration of 500 ppm. [See Method 21 for further calibration gas requirements.]

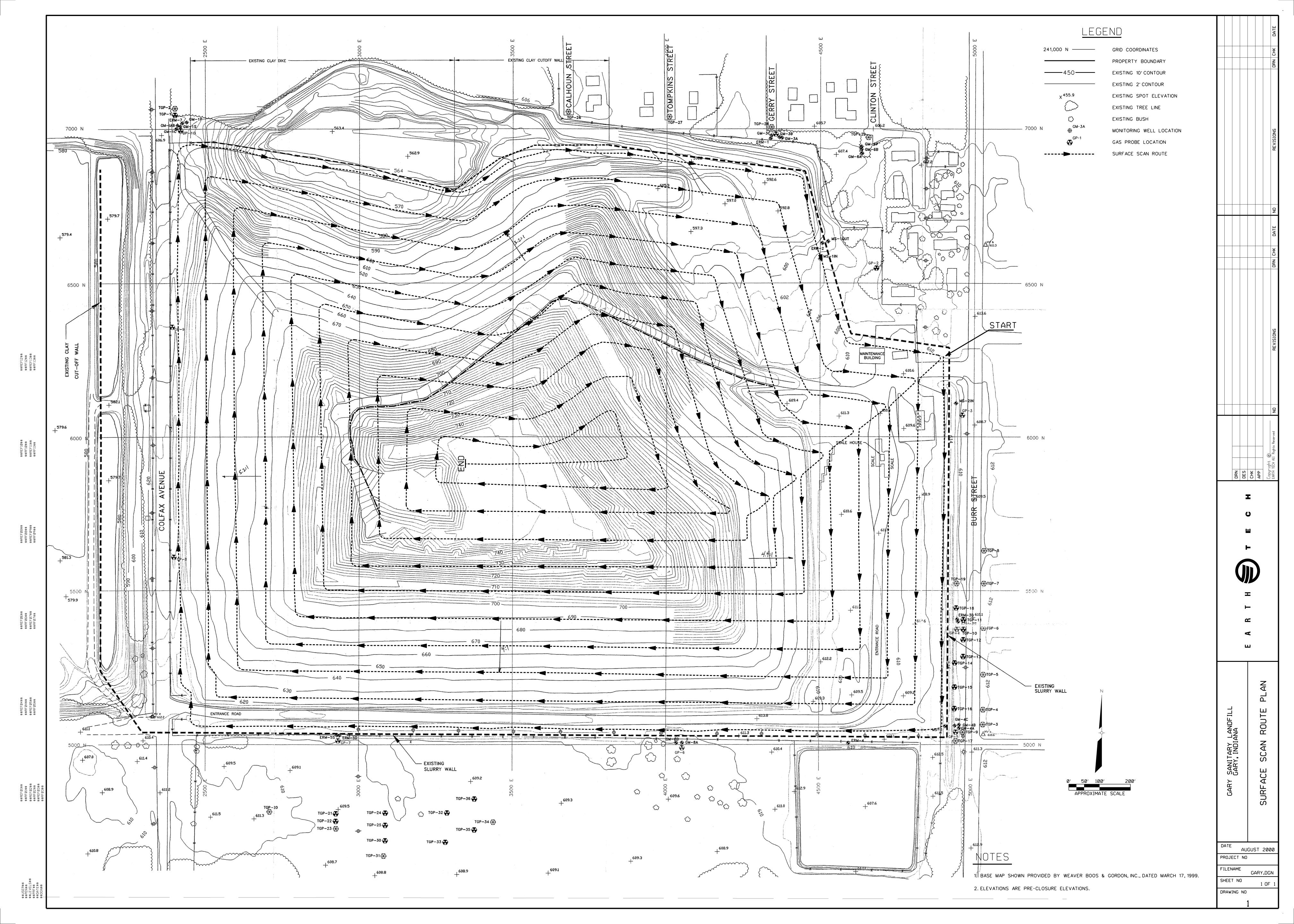
Assemble and start up the analyzer according to the manufacturer's instructions. After the appropriate warm-up period and zero internal calibration procedure, introduce the calibration gas into the instrument sample probe. Adjust the instrument meter readout to correspond to the calibration gas value. Record the calibration information in the table below.

#### **Background Concentration:**

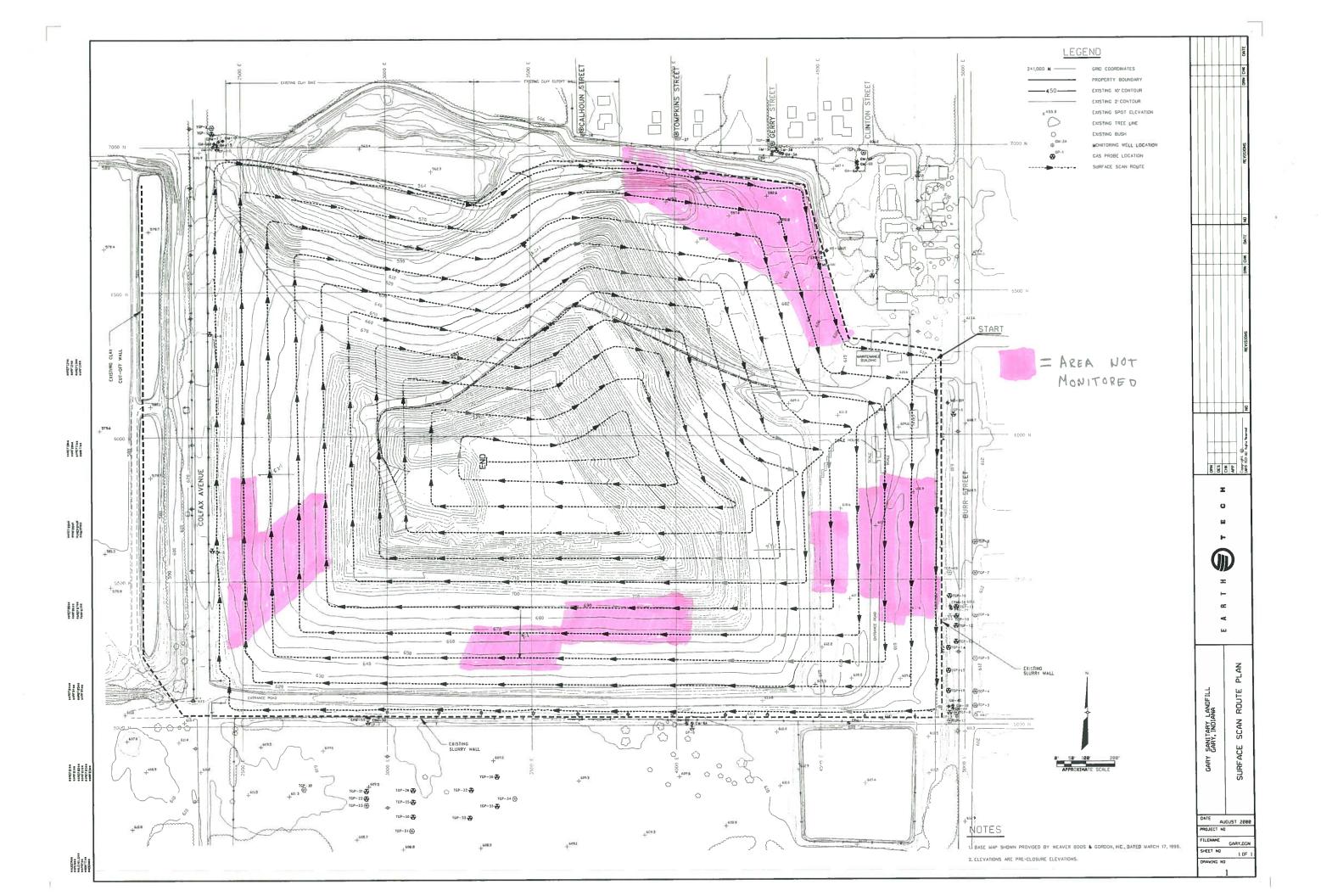
Determine the background concentration by moving the probe inlet upwind outside the boundary of the landfill at a distance of at least 30 meters from the perimeter wells. Record the background concentration and location in the table below.

General Information:
Date: (7-16-15
Operator Name: B. WADE
Facility: GART CF
Instrument ID: TVA-(CXX)B
Wind Direction: N NE E (SE)S SW W NW (circle one)
Approximate Wind Speed S-10 mph
General Weather: 57 °F,
clear, partly cloudy overcast, (circle one or write in)
no precip., drizzle, rain, snow, (circle one or write in)
Calibration Information: Calibration Gas Conc.: Conduct internal zero calibration? Instrument reading after calibration: Time of Calibration:  Packground Concentration Information  Packground Concentration Information  Time of Calibration:  Time of Canada Information  Canada Information  Time of Canada Inform
Background Concentration Information:  Background concentration upwind of site:
Location of background readings: Outside NE gate, outside sw corner

### Attachment B - Route Map



### Attachment C - Non-Accessible Areas Map



### $Attachment\ D-Exceedance\ Summary$

D-1: Summary Table

D-2: Location Map

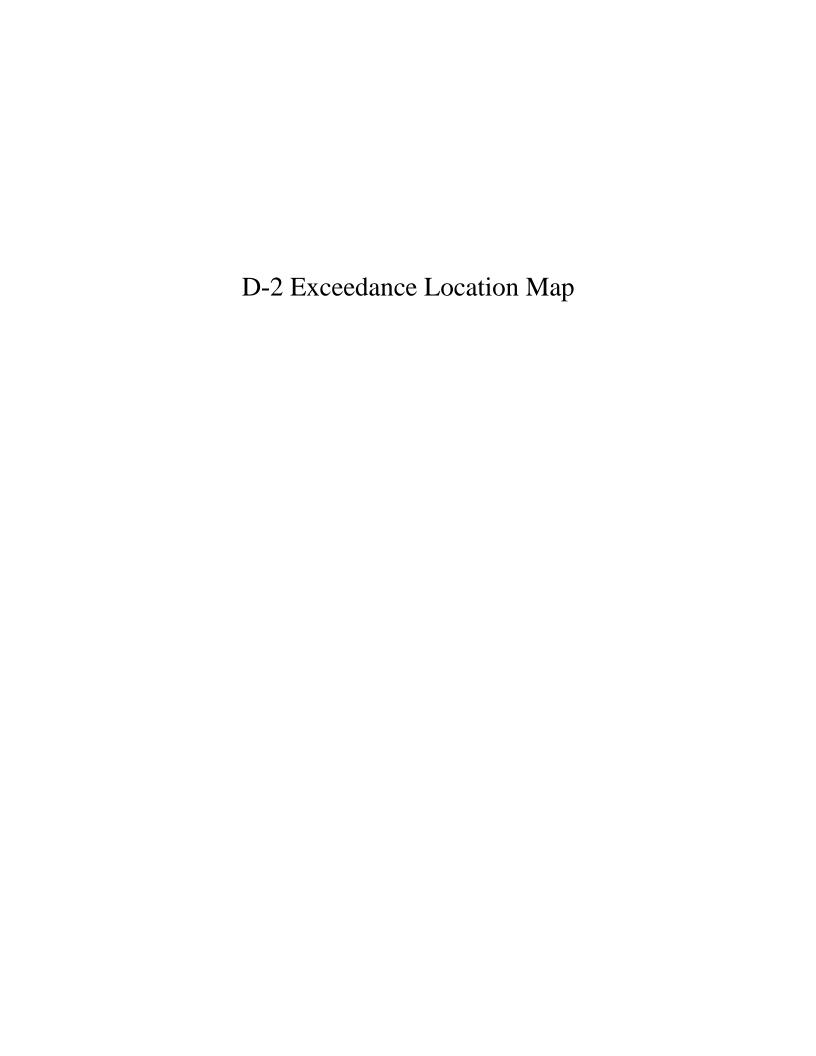
D-3 Exceedance Form A-3

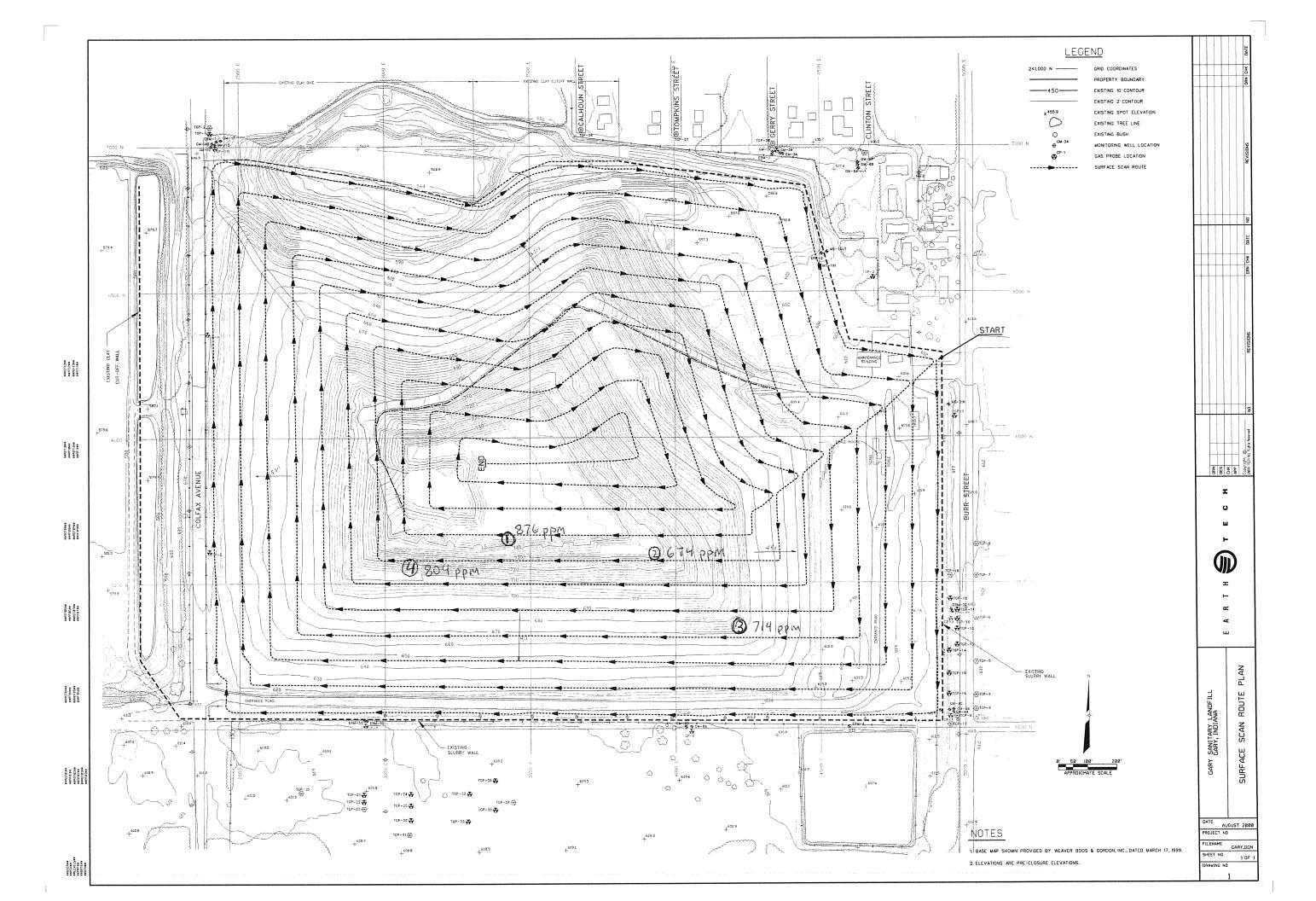
D-1: Summary Table

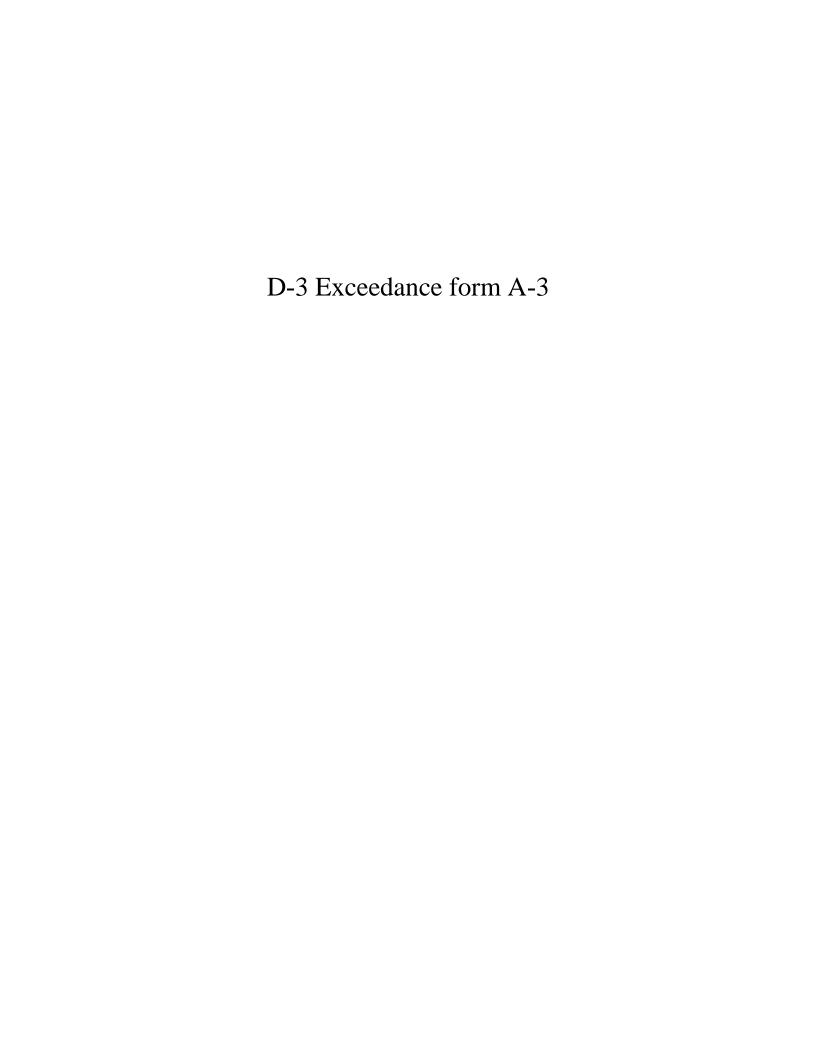
Exceedance Summary				
Exceedance	Date and Time	Concentration in PPM	Location	
1	12/15/2015 11:26	876	~300' WSW of flare #3 in tall vegetation	
2	12/15/2015 12:00	674	~200' SE of #2 and ~200' WNW of flare #4	
3	12/16/2015 10:30	714	~300' SE of flare #18	
4	12/16/2015 12:12	804	~50' NE of Well #13	

<sup>\*</sup>Exceedance locations are marked with double orange survey flags. Sets of four flags visible from referenced flares and well locations point to the Exceedance location.

<sup>\*</sup>locations are plotted on attached map







## <u>Table A - 3</u> <u>Sample Individual Monitoring Exceedance Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

Use this form to record an individual monitoring exceedance and follow-up monitoring activities. This form is only used when a reading of 500 ppm above background is encountered during the surface monitoring. Use a separate form for each initial exceedance.

Initial Monitoring Exceedance:
Date: 12-15 Time: 11:76 and pm Monitoring Technician Initials: BW
Instrument reading - Background reading: 866 ppm 10 ppm = 876 ppm
Location of monitored exceedance (include description of field marker used):  Location $1$ , orange flags, $300^\circ$ wsw of flave #3  Describe cover maintenance or adjustments to the vacuum of adjacent wells to increase gas collection in vicinity of measured exceedance before remonitoring in 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of initial exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S
If 10 day remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of 2nd exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading: ppm ppm = ppm
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If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:
Date: Time:am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading: ppm - ppm = ppm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
(use additional forms if necessary)*
*If remonitoring shows 3 <u>consecutive</u> exceedances within a quarterly period a new well or other collection device must be installed within 120 days of <u>initial</u> exceedance or alternative remedies/timelines may be submitted to the Administrator for approval. Further monitoring is not necessary until the remedy is completed.

## <u>Table A - 3</u> <u>Sample Individual Monitoring Exceedance Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

Use this form to record an individual monitoring exceedance and follow-up monitoring activities. This form is only used when a reading of 500 ppm above background is encountered during the surface monitoring. Use a separate form for each initial exceedance.

Initial Monitoring Exceedance:
Date: 17-15 Time: 17-00 am (pm) Monitoring Technician Initials:
Date: 17-15   Time: 17-05   am pm   Monitoring Technician Initials:   B 00
Location of monitored exceedance (include description of field marker used):  Location 2, orange flags, 200's # 2, 200' wnw # 4  Describe cover maintenance or adjustments to the vacuum of adjacent wells to increase gas collection in vicinity of measured exceedance before remonitoring in 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of initial exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If 10 day remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:  Date: am pm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of 2nd exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:  Date: am pm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
(use additional forms if necessary)*
*If remonitoring shows 3 <u>consecutive</u> exceedances within a quarterly period a new well or other collection device must be installed within 120 days of <u>initial</u> exceedance or alternative remedies/timelines may be submitted to the Administrator for approval. Further monitoring is not necessary until the remedy is completed.

### <u>Table A - 3</u> <u>Sample Individual Monitoring Exceedance Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

Use this form to record an individual monitoring exceedance and follow-up monitoring activities. This form is only used when a reading of 500 ppm above background is encountered during the surface monitoring. Use a separate form for each initial exceedance.

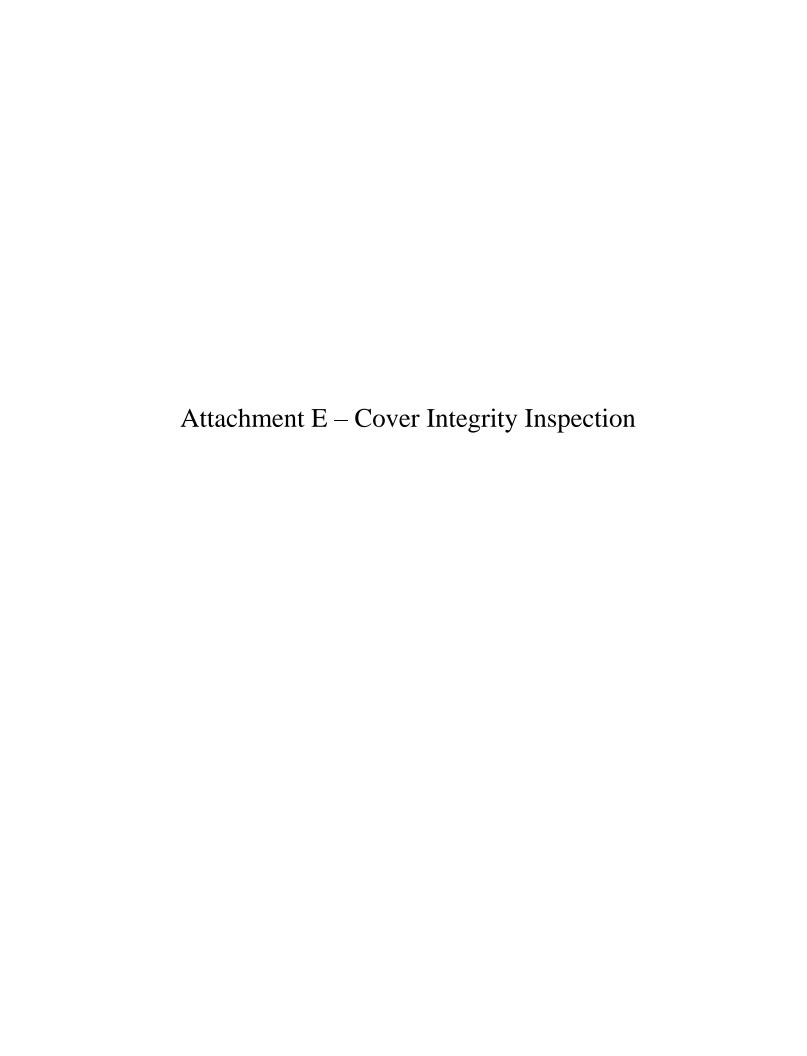
Initial Monitoring Exceedance:
Date: 12-16 Time: 10:30 (am) pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading: 708 ppm 6 ppm = 714 ppm
Location of monitored exceedance (include description of field marker used):
Location 3, orange flags, ~300' SE of #18 Describe cover maintenance or adjustments to the vacuum of adjacent wells to increase gas collection in
vicinity of measured exceedance before remonitoring in 10 days:
vicinity of ineasured exceedance before remointoring in 10 days.
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of initial exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
matument reading background reading.
If 10 day remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:  Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:  Instrument reading - Background reading: ppm ppm = ppm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of 2nd exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:  Date: Time: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:  Instrument reading - Background reading: ppm - ppm = ppm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring. If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
(use additional forms if necessary)*
*If remonitoring shows 3 <u>consecutive</u> exceedances within a quarterly period a new well or other collection device must be installed within 120 days of <u>initial</u> exceedance or alternative remedies/timelines may be submitted to the Administrator for approval. Further monitoring is not necessary until the remedy is completed.

#### Table A - 3 Sample Individual Monitoring Exceedance Form **Surface Monitoring Design Plan**

Use this form to record an individual monitoring exceedance and follow-up monitoring activities. This form is only used when a reading of 500 ppm above background is encountered during the surface monitoring. Use a separate form for each initial exceedance.

Initial Monitoring Exceedance:
Date: 12-16 Time: 12-12 am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Date: 12-16 Time: 12-12 am pm Monitoring Technician Initials: Butter Instrument reading - Background reading: 798 ppm - 6 ppm = 809 ppm
Location of monitored exceedance (include description of field marker used):
(ocation 4, orange flags, ~50' NE #13 Describe cover maintenance or adjustments to the vacuum of adjacent wells to increase gas collection in
vicinity of measured exceedance before remonitoring in 10 days:
vicinity of measured exceedance before remonitoring in 10 days.
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of initial exceedance:
Date: Time: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If 10 day remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:  Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:  Instrument reading - Background reading: ppm ppm
If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring. If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
Remonitor location within 10 calendar days of 2nd exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
If the 10 day remonitoring is <500 ppm, remonitor 1 month from initial exceedance:
Date: am pm Monitoring Technician Initials:
Instrument reading - Background reading:ppmppm =ppm
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If the 1 month remonitoring is <500 ppm, resume normal quarterly monitoring.  If the 1 month remonitoring shows an exceedance, describe additional corrective action taken before remonitoring again within 10 days:
(use additional forms if necessary)*
*If remonitoring shows 3 <u>consecutive</u> exceedances within a quarterly period a new well or other collection device must be installed within 120 days of <u>initial</u> exceedance or alternative remedies/timelines may be submitted to the

Administrator for approval. Further monitoring is not necessary until the remedy is completed.



# <u>Table A - 4</u> <u>Sample Monthly Cover Integrity Inspection Form</u> <u>Surface Monitoring Design Plan</u>

<u>Month</u>	Inspection Date	Inspector Initials	Cover Integrity Problems Found During <u>Inspection</u>
January	//		
February	//		
March	//		
April	/		
May			
June	/		
July	//		
August	//		
September	//		
October			
November	/		
December	12/16/15	Bω	Exceedingly tall + dense vegetation - Areas with no vegetative cover - Areas with exposed GCL and erosion